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Transmitted herewith is an amendment (with marked-up copy) in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: Attached: Synopsis of Application of Written Description Guidelines, Example 14, pp.53-55.

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

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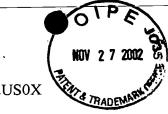
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Responsive to the Official Action dated October 2, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 2 and 18.

Please amend the claims as follows. For convenience, all of the pending claims are reproduced below.

--1. An isolated polynucleotide which encodes a protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, wherein said protein has the activity of the RodA cell division protein.

3. A vector comprising the isolated polynucleotide of Claim 1.

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